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Human Transporter Proteins, And Uses Thereof

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Please find attached a response (Preliminary Amendment) to the Office Action (Restriction Requirement) mailed on February 03, 2006 for the above-identified application.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Ellen BEASLEY et al.

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For: ISOLATED HUMAN TRANSPORTER PROTEINS, NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES ENCODING HUMAN TRANSPORTER PROTEINS, AND USES THEREOF

## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 By Facsimile

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action mailed on February 3, 2006 from Examiner Dang in which a restriction requirement was issued for the above-referenced application.

By way of response, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group II, drawn to an antibody.

Applicants have canceled claims corresponding to the non-elected Groups I and III-XI.

Please amend the application as follows: